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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION NEW DELHI INFO BOMBAY CALCUTTA ON
APRIL 1, 1975. NOW REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: IN, PLOS
SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF TAIWANESE FISHING TRAWLERS NEAR MADRAS

MADRAS PAPERS APRIL 1 REPORT SEIZURE
OF TWO TAIWANESE FISHING TRAWLERS 65 MILES NORTH OF MADRAS ON
MARCH 30. SEIZURE WAS MADE OFF KRISHNAPATNAM (15 MILES
SOUTHEAST OF NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH) "IN INDIAN TERRITORIAL
WATERS" (WITHIN 12 MILE LIMIT). TRAWLERS, KWANG JANN III AND
V, NOW IN MADRAS, HAVE BEEN HANDED OVER TO POLICE. CUSTOMS
ARE SEARCHING THE TRAWLERS AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS INTERROGATING
THE ALL-CHINESE CREW. TRAWLERS, WHICH WERE NOT FLYING ANY FLAG
WHEN SEIZED, OFFERED NO RESISTANCE. ACCOUNT OF SEIZURE SAYS
THIS IS FIRST SEIZURE BY NAVY IN THE REGION IN 189/.. MONTHS. TRAWLER
S
"EQUIPPED WITH LATEST JAPANESE-MADE RADAR AND HIGHLY
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SOPHISTICATED ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT INCLUDING DEPTH AND

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RANGE-FINDING APPARATUS." CAPT. D.B. MOHINDRA, RESIDECT
NAVAL OFFICER, MADRAS, SAID "THOUGH THESE WERE MERE
FISHING VESSELS, THEIR EQUIPMENT WAS VERY SOPHISTICATED
AND COULD BE USED FOR SURVEILLANCE PURPOSES." AREA WHERE
THEY WERE PICKED UP "ABOUND IN FISH." EQUIPMENT (RADAR,
DIRECTION FINDER, AQUA FINDERS THAT COULD PROBE DEPTHS
UP TO 23,000 FEET) "IS FOUND ON ANY MODERN FISHING TRAWLER",
BUT ONLY INVESTIGATION WILL SHOW "WHETHER THEY HAD ANY PUR-
POSE OTHER THAN FISHING." COMMENT: SITE OF SEIZURE IN ADDITION
TO BEING A LONG WAY FROM TAIWAN, IS 40 MILES NORTH OF SRIHARI-
KOTA MISSILE TEST RANGE (THE PRESUMED CAUSE OF INDIAN SUSPICIONS).
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